

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 19, with the following redlined paragraph:

Simultaneous with preheating the product 11, the pressure vessel 26 is preheated to the desire temperature through the use of heating elements 31 coupled to the vessel 26. To further improve the efficiency of the system, the ultrahigh-pressure fluid 27 is preheated to the selected temperature through a heating device 33. In a preferred embodiment, device 33 includes a plurality of heat-exchanger blocks through which ultrahigh-pressure tubing passes, the pressure media flowing from an ultrahigh-pressure pump to the pressure vessel through the ultrahigh-pressure tubing. Such a heating system is more fully described and claimed in co-pending application serial no. _____ U.S. Patent Application No. 09/883,090, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Changing the Temperature of a Pressurized Fluid," now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,804,459, and assigned to Flow International Corporation, which ~~application-patent~~ is incorporated by reference into the present application.